

Blue Grass Chemical Stockpile Destruction Project Granted Proposed Air Quality Permit

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BLUE GRASS ARMY DEPOT, Ky. – Less than one week after receipt of a research, development and demonstration permit, the Blue Grass Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant Project reached another milestone following yesterday's issuance of the proposed Air Quality permit by the Kentucky Department for Environmental Protection's Division for Air Quality.

Issuance of the permit by the Commonwealth allows for construction, testing, and operation of a facility to destroy munitions filled with nerve and blister agents here.

Region IV of the U.S. EPA has 45 days to review the permit and submit comments to the Commonwealth. After the EPA review period, the Division for Air Quality will incorporate EPA's comments as appropriate and then issue a final permit.

A copy of the permit will be available on the Internet at:

http://www.air.ky.gov/permitting/.

The status regarding EPA's 45-day review can be obtained at the following web site:

http://www.epa.gov/region4/air/permits/Kentucky.htm.

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